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**CORRECTION - please note the average income of Toorak, Melbourne is $132, 252 not $123, 252 as stated in the earlier media release.**

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## Double Bay leads NSW's highest incomes

Double Bay residents recorded the highest average income in NSW in 2009-10, according to figures releases today by the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS).

ABS Director of the Rural and Regional National Statistics Centre, Lisa Conolly said the *Estimates of Personal Income for Small Areas* publication uses data from the Australian Taxation Office to provide a breakdown of information such as personal income by wage and salary, investment, superannuation and annuities.

"The top four earning regions in NSW are the Sydney regions of Double Bay - Bellevue Hill, coming in top with an average total income of $129,116, Mosman on $126,956, Hunters Hill - Woolwich on $123,956 and Woollahra on $123,869.

"Outside of Sydney, Queanbeyan West -Jerrabomberra had New South Wales' highest average total income with $64,728. This was followed by Merewether on $62,296 and Newcastle - Cooks Hill on $61,295.

"Overall, the average total income for the state of NSW is $50,328 which is higher than the national average of $48,530.

"Australia's highest earners are those in the Melbourne suburb of Toorak who earn an average of $132,252 per year.

"More than 25 per cent (or 132 in number) of New South Wales regions recorded average total incomes above the state average of $50,328. Of this group, 15 per cent were located outside of Sydney City.

"From a state and territory perspective, the Australian Capital Territory recorded the highest average total income of $58,034 this was followed by Western Australia on $53,397. New South Wales was ranked fourth", said Ms Conolly.

More details, including data for states, territories and smaller regions, can be found in *Estimates of Personal Income for Small Areas, 2009-10* (cat. no. 6524.0.55.002) available for free from the ABS website <www.abs.gov.au>

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**Average Total Income from all sources (excl. Government pensions & allowances) ($ '000)**

| State/Territory | 2005-06 | 2006-07 | 2007-08 | 2008-09 | 2009-10 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| New South Wales | 44 | 46 | 47 | 49 | 50 |
| Victoria | 41 | 43 | 44 | 46 | 48 |
| Queensland | 38 | 41 | 42 | 44 | 46 |
| South Australia | 37 | 40 | 41 | 43 | 44 |
| Western Australia | 42 | 46 | 48 | 52 | 53 |
| Tasmania | 35 | 37 | 38 | 40 | 42 |
| Northern Territory | 42 | 44 | 46 | 49 | 51 |
| Australian Capital Territory | 49 | 51 | 53 | 56 | 58 |
| Australia (d) | 41 | 44 | 45 | 47 | 49 |

(d) Australian total includes Other territories, unknown, and not stated regions

**AVERAGE INCOME by Source - Greater Capital City Statistical Areas and Rest of State/Territory, 2009-10**

| Region | Wages & salaries | Own unincorporated business | Investment | Superannuation & annuities | Other Income (excl. Govt pensions & allowances) | Total income from all sources (excl. Govt pensions & allowances) |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | $ | $ | $ | $ | $ | $ |
| **New South Wales** | **50 943** | **21 025** | **7 901** | **22 346** | **3 257** | **50 328** |
| Greater Sydney | 54 354 | 26 533 | 8 988 | 22 091 | 3 740 | 55 010 |
| Rest of NSW | 43 992 | 13 595 | 5 848 | 22 615 | 2 262 | 41 537 |
| **Victoria** | **47 363** | **19 309** | **8 758** | **20 264** | **2 630** | **47 623** |
| Greater Melbourne | 49 342 | 23 146 | 9 345 | 20 863 | 2 927 | 50 413 |
| Rest of Victoria | 40 786 | 11 670 | 6 872 | 18 716 | 1 650 | 38 995 |
| **Queensland** | **47 054** | **16 806** | **6 626** | **20 677** | **2 511** | **45 844** |
| Greater Brisbane | 49 251 | 21 675 | 6 503 | 21 160 | 2 502 | 48 895 |
| Rest of Queensland | 44 835 | 13 684 | 6 738 | 20 222 | 2 513 | 42 981 |
| **South Australia** | **44 141** | **20 042** | **7 410** | **24 615** | **2 333** | **44 312** |
| Greater Adelaide | 45 357 | 23 130 | 7 696 | 25 373 | 2 512 | 46 041 |
| Rest of South Australia | 39 497 | 14 029 | 6 408 | 21 183 | 1 674 | 38 213 |
| **Western Australia** | **53 227** | **24 757** | **8 629** | **22 775** | **3 534** | **53 397** |
| Greater Perth | 53 864 | 27 790 | 9 008 | 23 333 | 3 835 | 54 728 |
| Rest of WA | 50 235 | 17 245 | 7 032 | 19 928 | 2 272 | 48 234 |
| **Tasmania** | **41 673** | **16 860** | **6 077** | **20 879** | **2 180** | **41 542** |
| Greater Hobart | 43 863 | 21 237 | 6 159 | 22 287 | 2 171 | 44 358 |

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| Rest of Tasmania | 39 898 | 14 209 | 5 791 | 19 231 | 2 178 | 39 216 |
| **Northern Territory** | **50 746** | **20 294** | **3 843** | **27 438** | **1 958** | **51 366** |
| Greater Darwin | 53 055 | 23 278 | 3 800 | 28 619 | 2 043 | 53 747 |
| Rest of NT | 46 606 | 12 602 | 3 717 | 23 863 | 1 331 | 47 153 |
| **Australian Capital Territory** | **57 749** | **25 297** | **4 735** | **32 657** | **2 238** | **58 034** |
| **Australia (a)** | **48 907** | **20 023** | **7 760** | **22 486** | **2 854** | **48 530** |

(a) Australia totals include data for the Other Territories.

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